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### MEMORANDUM

TO:            Credentialing Administrators  
FROM:         American Board of Pathology (ABPath)  
SUBJECT:      Change in ABPath Certification Status Reporting

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The American Board of Pathology (ABPath) no longer issues certificates with expiration dates since the implementation of the Continuing Certification (CC) Program. For diplomates certified after 2006, ABPath board certification is contingent on successful participation in the CC program.

The ABPath recognizes some entities may require a certification expiration date to complete primary-source verification. We encourage credentialing administrators to utilize an annual re-verification date of January 31<sup>st</sup> or thereafter, each year. An ABPath diplomate's certification status can only change at the beginning of each year unless certification is revoked for disciplinary reasons. By using the annual re-verification date, you will have accurate information about a diplomate's current certification status.

To request an official primary source verification of certification from the American Board of Pathology, please visit the [ABPath](https://www.abpath.org) website. The fee for official primary source verification is \$35 for each physician verified.

For questions regarding verification of certification, please contact Geri Wills at [Geri@abpath.org](mailto:Geri@abpath.org) or call (813) 286-2444 ext. 232.